

French Field House

Herrick Archives Number 086

A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

1. Name

1.1 Officially named "The Thomas E. French Field House" by Board of Trustees on November 14, 1955.

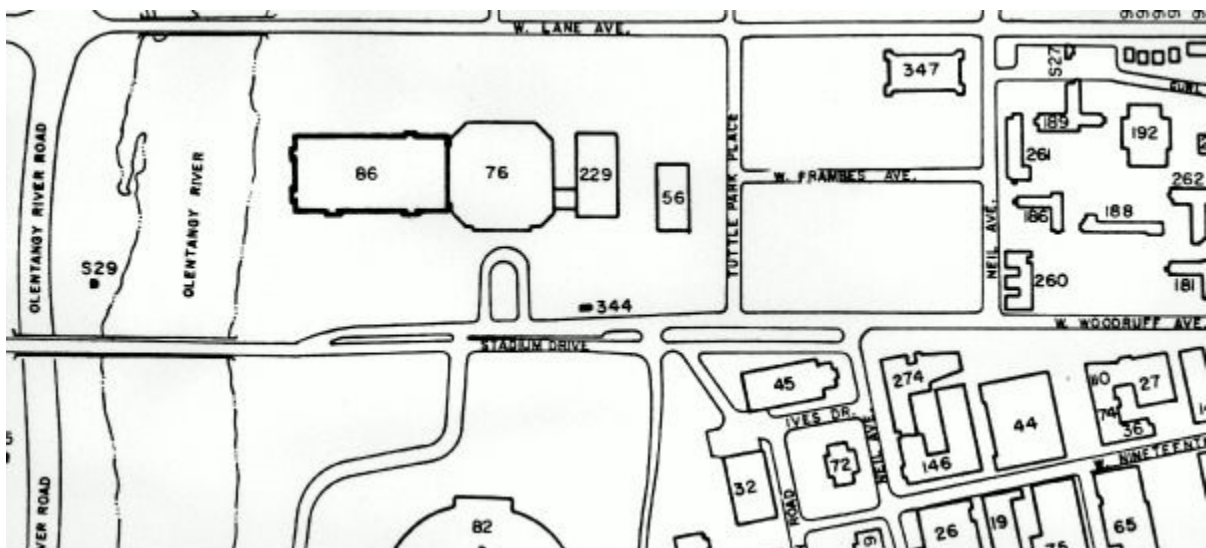
1.2 Alternate names noted:

None

2. Location

2.1 Located at 460 West Woodruff Avenue. See map below. Prior to 1976 this building was carried on Office of Campus Planning records as part of St. John Arena (076) with no separate address.

2.2 For greater detail, see Sheet 69 in the book of campus maps in the University Archives.



For identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A.

3. General Description

3.1 Type of construction:

Steel frame with sheet metal exterior wall.

3.2 No. of stories:

Basement (partial) and one story.

3.3 Increments of construction:

No additions

See Addendum No. 1

3.4 Present area of building as shown in of Division of Campus Planning inventory records:

85,206 sq. ft. gross;
82,908 sq. ft. net assignable

3.5 Volume of Building:

3,518;420 cu. ft. (PP)

See Addendum No. 3

B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION

1. On December 13, 1954 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Howard Dwight Smith and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on January 25, 1955 (T).

3. On February 14, 1955 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Joseph Skilken & Co.
Electrical: Electric Power Equipment Co.
Heating and ventilating: Scioto Heating and Plumbing Co.
Plumbing: Limbach Co.

4. The work of the general contractor and electrical contractor was completed by October 1, 1956 and the heating and ventilating work was substantially completed by November 1, 1956. The plumbing work was substantially completed by July 31, 1956 (A).

5. Dedicated along with Building 076 on February 25, 1957.

C. COST

Not separately listed on books. Listed at \$5,182,862.94 as of June 30, 1975 for both St. John Area (076) and French Field House (086).

D. PHOTOGRAPHS

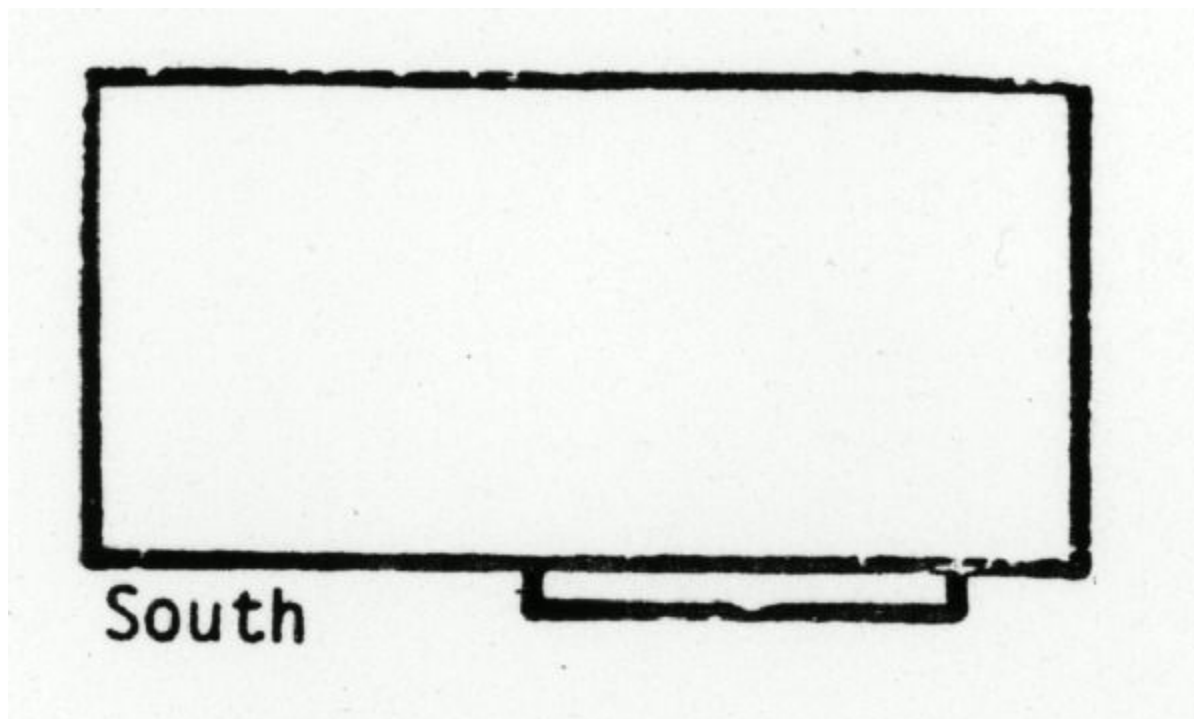
1. In Photoarchives:

X 12997 (Building on right)
X 12998 (Building on left)

John H. Herrick
July 28, 1976

ADDENDUM NO. 1

On January 9, 1976 the Board of Trustees approved plans for the addition represented by the small oblong on the sketch below, and authorized the solicitation of bids and award of contracts. This addition was designed by the OSU Physical Facilities Department, and was for the purpose of providing locker and shower rooms and other support facilities for women's athletics.



The addition has outside dimensions of 19' 11" x 166' 8". It has concrete block walls and a roof of precast concrete units.

The following awards of contracts were reported to the Board of Trustees on June 4, 1976:

General: Monet. Inc.

Plumbing: Muetzel Plumbing and Heating

Heating, ventilating, and air conditioning: Morris Sheet Metal Co.

Electrical: Demos Electric Co.

The total of all contracts was \$173,500.

The project was released for beneficial occupancy in late January 1977 (P).

John H. Herrick
February 10, 1977

ADDENDUM NO. 2

The addition on the south side of this building is shown in Photographs X 22761 and X 22764.

John H. Herrick
September 4, 1979

ADDENDUM NO. 3

Effective April 16, 1982 the address of this building was changed to 460 Woody Hayes Drive. (P) Campus Planning records now show the following areas for this building:

92,226 sq. ft. gross

85,391 sq. ft. net assignable

John H. Herrick

November 7, 1984